# YANKS PLAN TO RECEIVE WILSON

# BEEM NOT EAGER TO GRIP ISSUES

Disappointment in Many Quarters Over Delay of Peace Parley.

DVANTAGES, HOWEVER

Vilson's Visit to Revive England's Idealism-Other Problems Clearer.

(London Times Phil, Ledger Cop. Cable.) (By Wickham Steed.) Paris, Dec. 24.—There is unmistakle disappointment in many quarrs over the apparent lack of eagerss on the part of the allied govnments to get to grips at once with e chief problems of peace.

six weeks have elapse ace the armistice was signed with ermany. At least a fortnight will by before the allied conference in have even its opening sitting. In the meantime, the desire of all ntries to return to a state of peace as become stronger and statesmen ive become fatigued by ceremonial ities and an atmosphere not en-rely conducive to the lofty consid-ation of earnest problems has been

eated.
And yet there are some counterilling advantages. As far as Great
ritain is concerned, President Wiln's visit may tend to revive the
rposeful idealism that has characized British public feeling during

France, the Christmas respite

discussion between tesmen may receive calmer attenmination of her wishes and so to e her from the peril of isolation which a mistaken policy during war might have exposed her. reactionary elements without a

the atmosphere of the conference will be the future position of Vatican and its relations to their governments. Considerable into the governments at this sentence of the governments in the digest in which this sentence occurs holds wiout qualification that the draft of a member of the national guard into the federal service absolutely discharges him from the militia, which includes the national guard. Furthermore, this office has held that a commission in the temporary forces is incompatible with a commission in the national guard and operates to cancel the commission in the national guard.

Holy See Under Suspicion might damage Italian national church, if not indeed, the holy itself, to the suspicion of being was drafted into federal service, ally Italian in sentiment. Baron history has been believed discharges may make reorganization egard the Roman Catholic church the greatest Italian institution. to fear lest any display of offiintimacy between the holy see the Italian government might en-French, American, German British Roman Catholics to work a due and effective representa- ment's policy. in the college of cardinals and

been endangered by the failure cope Benedict XV to wean the an hierarchy as a whole from its ous tenderness for the forces of phteousness. disfaction is felt here at the annement of the new Serbo-Jugo-cabinet as constituted, cholas Pashich will be president he Jugo-Slav delegates at the

he Jugo-Slav delegates at the e conference. It is understood frumbich only consented to ac-the portfolio of foreign affairs he urgent request of the southern leaders in Dalmatia and Agram Pashich himself. In moderate an circles the selection of Trum-is welcomed.

TO CARE FOR BOND ISSUE

rersity of Tennessee to Receive seft of Late Legislative Enactment ashville, Dec. 21.—The legislature at last session imposed an advalorem of 15 cents, 5 cents for the Unity of Tennessee and 10 cents for way purposes. Under this special the 5 cents tax has resulted this in the collection of between \$400.—and \$500,000, while the returns from 10-cent tax amount to about double amount, or between \$800,000 and 000. In order to secure federal aid ighway building it was pecessary for state to agree to appropriate dollar dollar to meet the government's remements and the legislature underto raise the money by a special ements and the legislature underto raise the money by a special
for that purpose. The 5-cent tax
Intended to take care of a bond
for the benefit of the University
lennessee, amounting to \$1,000,000,
placing the tax on advalorem the
ral assembly avoided the necessity
ising the state tax rate of 35 cents,
hundred thousand dollars of the
is to be expended in the construcof buildings for the use of the
le Tennessee experiment station at
phis.

Tennessee tax rate of 35 cents been changed in nineteen years.

Brunswick, Ga., Dec. 24.— Four carrier pigeons will fly from here to Philadelphia to announce the launching today of the steamer Alcovy, which takes the water at noon at the plant of the American Ship-huilding commany. building company.

The birds were sent from Philadelphia, and as the ship

touched the water it was planned to release them from a basket of flowers at the top of the vessel's bow. The four identical messages addressed to James O. Heyworth, general manager of the wood ship division of the emergency fleet corporation, will tell of the launching and carry Christmas greetings from the employes of the plant.

Experts say the carriers will have to alight twice on the journey, and that they should arrive Thursday evening. An-other unique feature of the launching is that arrangements were made solely by the employes of the plant.

#### JUDGE ADVOCATE WIPES **OUT NATIONAL GUARDS**

RULING OF BRIG.-GEN. AN. SELL MADE PUBLIC.

Officers and Enlisted Men Revert to Civilian Status When Discharged.

Washington, Dec. 24.-An opinio In France, the Christmas respite. Washington, Dec. 74.—An opinion is allow leisure from steady work of the judge advocate-general's office, approved by the secretary of war, holds that officers and enlisted men of the national guard will revert to holds that officers and enlisted men of the national guard will revert to civilian status when discharged from the federal service. The effect of the ruling practically is to wipe out of existence the national guard as it was organized prior to the war.

The opinion, rendered by Brig.-Gen. Samuel T. Ansell, who has been acting judge advocate-general since Maj.-Gen. Crowder was appointed provost marshal-general to handle the draft, was made public today by the war department.

war might have exposed her.

Iberal Spain should find a worthy ce in the league of nations, a place can more readily obtain now that can more readily obtain now that downfall of the reactionary forces the central empires has left her national guard subsequent to their discharge the central empires has left her national guard subsequent to their discharge the central empires has left her nationally end attention to a digest or an empire of the indre adverted. the war department. of an opinion of the judge advocategeneral last January, in which it was
said that when the guardsmen were
'mustered out' of the federal service
they would revert to their militia
status and also to their status in the
mational guard.

Not Based on Discharge.

Gen. Ansell in his decision points
out that this opinion was based upon
muster out and sof the status in the
and added:

"As a matter of fact, the opinion

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of an advention ta use secont
of senator LaFollette,
and sustained its previous action in
favor of an amendment repealing existing zone rates on publications in
favor of a rate of 1 cent a pound
within 150 miles and 1 and 1-2 cents
a pound beyond.

Riders attached to the bill include
extension of the Reed "bone-dry"
the provide by the sovereign's escort
of royal household cavalry.

The whole of Friday has been reserved for conferences between the
president and the British ministers
within 150 miles and 1 and 1-2 cents
a pound beyond.

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men discharged from the military
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d in an article entitled "A New the form of the Rejation of Italy and Holy See":

There is nothing new in the idea of formal understanding between Vatican and the consulta, if not ween the Vatican and the quirm, who entered the service beneatedly has been discussed and in the consultation of July 3, 1917, will, when dependently has been discussed and in the president's procedure of the commission in the particle of the particl catican and the consulta, if not consultant and the quirt can the Vatican and the quirt can the Vaticant can the vaticant can the vaticant and the quirt can the vaticant can the vaticant

Holy See Under Suspicion.

Ough by religion a Protestant, ment since demobilization began has been unbed to hold that "the Roman the national guard from the national guard fr tood to hold that "the Roman the national guard from the service ition" was solved in 1870 and that just as regular and national army decrease in the appearance of man are discharged to return to litty between Italy and the Vat- peace-time pursuits. If this were done in every case the result would reets by exposing a predominant be to end the existence of nearly lan hierarchy in the Roman Cathevery guard unit in the country ex-

> Mustering out as units without discharges may make reorganization unnecessary. This undoubtedly will be sought insistently, particularly in the case of famous guard organizations with treasured histories and traditions. There has been no an-

When federalization of the nainstical hierarchy, if not even-in the chair of St. Peter itself, tional defense act of 1916 a dual oath publication of this suggestion of allegiance for the members of that tional guard was enacted in the na nino controls, therefore, is felt bly significant at a time when follos in all the allied countries deeply mortified that during the the prestige of the church should taken. Every national guard unit in the country was required to sub

> Handicap of System. The language of the national de fense act, however, is specific ir stating that when the national national guard draft had been applied by the president the members of the guard then are discharged from the milltia of the country. The purpose aimed at was to make the national guard after draft a force which could be employed outside of the country, which could not be done un-

#### der the constitution while its mem-bers remained in the militia. REMEMBERS SOLDIERS

Y. M. C. A. to Give Every Soldier a Christmas Gift.

Paris, Dec. 24.—Every American soldier in France and Germany will receive a Christmas package from the Y. M. C. A. tomorrow morning. Each package contains two packages of cigarettes, two cakes of chocolate, a container of tobacco and chewing gum. Four hundred thousand similar gifts also will be distributed among the French soldiers. dred thousand similar gitts also with distributed among the French soldiers. In addition, there will be Christmas entertainments in all of the Y. M. C. A. huts. Those Americans fortunate enough to be in Paris will obtain roast turkey with cranberry sauce.

The Y. M. C. A. also is sending Christmas trees to the Frence orphans at Versailles.

WILL SPEAK IN HIS GRANDFATHER'S CHURCH London, Dec. 24.—On next Sunday, President and Mrs. Wilson will attend the Lowther Street Congregational church in Carlisle, where Mr. Wilson's maternal grandfather preached The president has been invited to address the congregation.

## TAX BILL GOES TO CONFEREES

Difficult Task in Consideration of 1919-20 Revenue Measure Faced.

TWO HOUSES NOT AGREED

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every Section. tained-Con-Far Rates.

ec. 24.-Confronted Washingt with a diffi began con frevenue b tion of the 1919-20 as a way faure before the armited. As approved by the lower y, the bill would raise the fiscal year the low y, the bill would raise \$8,000,000,000 during the fiscal year

the revenue bill is a peace measure, raising only \$6,000,000,000 in the present fiscal year, but providing an additional \$4,000,000,000 in revenu for the fiscal year 1929. The bill is expected to be in con-

ference for some time.

There are differences between the house and senate measure in practi-cally every section of the measures. Not only are the income and exin the amounts of money they will return in the senate bill, but the profits taxes are levied on a wholly different basis. Whereas the house provided a dual system of profits taxation the senate has combined ex-cess and war profits in one section, and it is not certain that house con-ferees will approve this change. Keep Luxury Section.

When the senate voted to keep the luxury and semi-luxury taxes in the bill, it disposed of any difference that might have developed in conferences conferees are expected, however, to accept the senate reduction of the luxury rate from 20 to 10 per cent. The reduction and the inclusion of rates for 1920 were recommended by

Secretary McAdoo after the signing of the armistice. The senate, just before final passage of the bill, rejected a substitute bill offered by Senator LaFollette, be followed by the sovereign's escort

forces and an amendment levying a tax of 100 per cent. on presidential

campaign funds above \$500.

The Thomas amendment levying a tax of 100 per cent. on the amounts of campaign contributions above \$500 probably will go out in conference. Having voted against it on the floor, years, with Venetian poles wrapped

Sheppard Amendment. The Sheppard amendment, on the other band, probably will stay. This amendment makes the District of Columbia bone-dry. If given a chance to vote on this amendment by its conferces, the house undoubt-edly will uphold it. The child labor amendment, levying taxes of 10 per cent, on the profits of employers of child labor over and above all other taxes, probably will have a difficult time in conference. The senate con-ferces are expected to stand by it, but house conferees will probably op-pose it, since, obviously, it is a pro-vision from which no revenue is ex-in white and gold and has some of pected. Referring the question to the house itself, the conferees probably would receive instructions to accept

ate amendment. Meet During Holidays. The conferces are scheduled to hold few meetings during the holidays.

but there probably will be little real work in conference before the first of the year. Just how long the bill will remain in conference is difficult to predict. Some members of congress believe it will be near the end of the session before the conferees reach an agreement, others prophesy that an agreement will be reached before the middle of February.

#### **GERMAN OPERA DONE FOR** Charles Fontaine Says War Killed Its

Popularity. (Chicago News.) Charles Fontaine, Belgian tenor, who has just arrived in Chicago and will take the place of Lucien Muratore in opera roles, preached the funeral of German opera today at the close of his first rehearsal. M. Fontaine completely extirpated modern German music. He came from the wings of the Auditorium theater in high spirits and bub-

bling over with pleasure at his Ameri-

can prospects until some one wonder if German opera would be revived Paris after the war. Paris after the war.

"The Dead Say 'No!"

"Dead!" he exloded. "Dead. dead. dead. dead. Dead in Paris. Dead in northern France. Dead in Belgium. Who can look at the flattened cities and ruined orchards, can mourn the women and girls violated and dead at German hands and ever want to hear German opera again? I cannot sing it. Never! Where is my brother? Shot to death by the Germans. Where is my father's brother? Shot to death by the Germans. Where is my Shot Germans. Where is my cousin? Shot to death by the Germans. Where is my godfather? Shot to death by the Germans. And you talk German opera

"You cannot imagine what we have suffered and what we feel. Wait till Mr. Wilson looks into northern France and Belglum and sees what is there will not talk then about fairness to

### BRISTOL HAS BAD FIRE

Fireman injured—Loss Placed at \$30,000.

Bristol, Tenn., Dec. 24.—Fire in the old Anderson building on State street early today proved one of the most stubborn in the history of Bristol. Breaking out about 2 o'clock, it was brought under control by 3:30. The Magonic lodge room in the upper story of the building was destroyed, and the Western Union Telegraph company suffered severely from smoke and water. Several firemen were slightly injured by falling brands. The loss was estimated at \$30,000, practically covered by insurance. Origin of the fire is not known.

## "CHRISTMAS WITH THE BOYS IN TREVES," SAYS WILSON



This is the German city of Treves, where President Willon will eat his Christmas dinner, just because I wants to eat it with the American soldier boys in the army of occupation. Treves is the oldest city in Germany and one of its points of interest is a bridge across the Moselle river built in the day of imperial Rome.

#### OVATION PROMISED PRESIDENT IN LONDON

SOVEREIGN'S ROYAL CAV. ALRY AS ESCORT.

Streets Gaily Decorated With Venetian Poles Surmounted With Golden Spikes.

London, Dec. 24.—(By British Wireless Press.)-When President and Mrs. Wilson arrive here on over these taxes. The only conflict and Mrs. Wilson arrive here on that can arise is over the rates of Thursday afternoon, they will be taxation on luxuries. The house driven from Charing Cross station to Buckingham palace through streets lined with the crack troops of the British army. All have been selected from famous guard regiments and will be accompanied by gunners and contingents from the admiralty and royal air forces.

where the premier's official residence is located.

A great and enthusiastic welcome awaits the pranticulal party in from don, where they will be met at the station by King George and Queen Mary.

The London correspondent of the International News Service wires:
"The thoroughfares from the railto put up any serious fight to retain golden spikes. They are set sevents five feet apart and are linked up to five feet apart and are linked up with festpons and allied flags form multi-colored chains of color from the net-

work of a triumphal canopy.

All London is on tiptoc for the president's coming, hoping to outdo the Paris populace in demonstrations. There will be only seventy guests t the government dinner at Lan caster house, but they will be among the most prominent men of the na

Arrangements for the banquet Friday night in honor of President Wil-son are similar to those made for the king of Denmark during his recent the finest tapestry in existence. It is the largest room in the palace. There is a throne in one end, but this probably will be hidden by flowers. In the other end is an or-gan loft, which will accommodate

hall Saturday will occur in the great hall instead of the library. This will enable a much larger company to witness the ceremony incident to the presentation of the address to

### SANTA CLAUS WEATHER

Weather Man Promises Bit of Snow for Ohito Valley.

Washington, Dec. 24.—Santa Claus shoulds be able to find somewhere in America tomorrow the sort of weather he likes best. At the weather bureau an unusual variety of Christmas weather was forecast. In the cast, said the weather ma, there will be rain, except in the extreme northern portion, where there will be snow. There will also be snow, he said, throughout the lake regions, while in the south it will be clear and not unusually cold for that section of the country. West of the Mississippi it will be generally fair and with moderate temperatures. Snow is predicted also in the upper Ohio valley.

#### PADDED PAY ROLLS

Profiteers Rudely Disturbed While Esting Christmas Dinner.

Chicago. Dec. 24.—R. L. Hersinger, general foreman; John Sago, carpenters' foreman, and Mose Karachi, labor foreman, employes of the General American Tank Car corporation, were rudely disturbed while at a Christmas dinner given by officials of the corporation last night, and today face charges by the government of swindling the company out of \$50,000, thereby depriving the government of the concern's excess profits tax. Salary bonus checks were being distributed at the merry little dinner when the names of the three men were called. They left the table to receive their Christmas gifts Instead, they were handed the warrants calling for were handed the warrants calling for their arrest and hurried to the federal building, where two of them are said to have confessed to padding the com-pany's pay roll to the extent of \$50,000.

#### TRANSPORT BRINGING 3,000 TROOPS TO DOCK AT NEWPORT NEWS

Washington, Dec. 24.—Sailing of the transport Princess Matolka from France on Dec. 29 with 3,000 troops, including 700 sick and wounded, was announced today by the war department. The ship will dock at Newport News about Jan. 2. On board are the Second and Third battalions, Thirty-seventh

const artillery regiments, casual companies 108, 109 and 110; 141st machine gun battallon. Thirty-ninth division cadre, headquarters Thirtieth brigade coast artillery.

Maj.-Gen. Charles Menoher, recently appointed chief of the air service to succeed John D. Ryan, is returning on the Princess Matoika.

Distribution of the units include the following assignments: Casual companies 108, 109 and 110 and 141st machine gun battailon, 44 per cent. to Camp Pike. Ark., 40 per cent. to Camp Beauregard, La.,

and 16 per cent, to Camp Zachary Taylor, Ky.; Thirty-ninth division cadre, composed of detachments from several infantry regiments, 100 per cent. to Camp Beauregard. Craster Hall Also Expected.

The transport Craster Hall, carrying one American casual officer, sailed on the same day, and is expected to dock at Philadelphia, Jan.

## ALABAMA TROOPS AMONG 3,865 SOLDIERS ARRIVING AT NEW YORK

New York, Dec. 24.—Bringing 3.865 officers and men of the American overseas army home from France, the French line steamship France, now an army transport, reached here teday. Among them were 214 wounded officers and 1,504 wounded men, of whom 283 yere classed as mental cases, suffering from shell shock and nervous croubles.

Sixty-third field artiflery, 6 officers and 132 men; advance school detachment, Eleventh division, 2 officers, 83 men; 137th field artiflery, supply company, ordinance detachment, medical corps, and batteries C and F, totaling 18 officers and 482 men, being troops from Arkansas, Mississippi, Alabama, Illinois and the District of Columbia; casual company No. 314 (negro), 2 officers and 141 men; casual company No. 315, 2 officers, 149 men; casual companies Nos. 316, 317, 318 and 319, 2 officers and 140 men each.

Other Vessels Arriving.

The Persia Maru also arrived today with 87 efficers who have

#### COMING BACK HOME

6, Gen. March also announced

Thirtieth Division Expected to Be Among First to Receive Return Orders.

The following news item, clipped from the Stars and Stripes, official newspaper of the A. E. F. in France, under date of Nov. 29, will be of considerable interest to all Tennesseans who have relatives in the Thirtieth division:

"The first division of combat troops to "The first division of combat troops to return to the United States will be the Seventy-sixth, the national army division from New Jersey, Maryland and the District of Columbia. The Twenty-seventh, the New York National guard division, and the Thirtieth, the National guard division from Tennessee and North and South Carolina, it is presumed, will tollow. The Seventy-sixth is new at St. Nazaire awaiting embarkation orders.

gan loft, which will accommodate the orchestra on the night of the banquet.

The substitution of the dinner to be given by Premier Lloyd George for the banquet which was to have been given at Lancaster house on Saturday night means it will be a much smaller and more intimate assemblage, the president meeting only a small body of men from the imperial war cabinet.

It has been decided Mr. Wilson will dine with King George at Buckingham palace Monday evening. He will leave the palace at 9 o'clock Tuesday morning, pass through lines of troops on his way to the station and take his train for Dover. It was announced today the reception at Guild hall Scturday will occur in the great health settled the state of the late of

"If was these divisions which, during the hard fighting of July. August and September, carried the Stars and Stripes beside the British hanner on the British front, bringing forth the hearty commendation of the British high command and the admiration of the men, including the Australians, with whom they fought.

they fought.

"It was they who, after fighting their way up to their jumping-off place in the face of almost frantic resistance by the Germans, broke the Hindenburg line near Bellecourt, and afterwards, undaunted and unexhausted by this heavy fighting, carried the battle many miles further toward Germany.

"One of the biggest problems in sending American troops home is in the inadequacy of rail transport to the seaboard. With winter coming, the French government needs the timost capacity of the railroads to distribute food and other supplies through the country."

the prisoners to a point in close proximity to the barracks.

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#### WILSON TO VISIT BERNE Basic, Switzerland, Dec. 2 ewspaper Nachrichten stated

and Geneva. No plans for President Wilson to visit the Swiss cities in question have been announced.

### Snow, Says Billy 'Possum.



EXPANSION OF TRADE Washington, Dec. 24.—Ships aggregating 500,000 tons are now on their way to South America, where they will be devoted to commercial trade be I'm living in a that has no chimney to it. If Santa Claus Scomes down the flue I don't see how he'll do it. But anyhow I'll take no chance to the see how he'll do it. But go the see how he'll do it. But anyhow I'll take no chance to the see how he'll do it. that has no take no chance (for later I might rue it), l'il leave

and hope he'll wiggle through it. Rain and snow and colder tonight. I Wednesday fair and colder,

TWENTY-FIVE ALIENS

COMING CHRISTMAS DAY

COL. PENROSE'S UNIQUE

CHRISTMAS PRESENT.

Bunch of Huns Picked Up in

Slums of Large East-

ern Cities.

Twenty-four alien enemies who

are being presented to Col. Penrose,

commander of the war prison bar-

racks at Chickamauga park as a

Christmas wift from the department

of justice, will arrive on a special train, accompanied by their guards

notice of their arrival did not state whether the enemies would be done

some time during the night.

bomb plotters without the frills. The Germans left New York M

day afternoon and are expected to arrive in the city early in the even-

ing. They will probably be trans-ferred from town to the stockade either in trucks provided by the

quartermaster's department of the

the movement of small consignments of aliens the latter plan is often em-

ployed, since special cars can be chartered, which will meet the train

at the Terminal station and convey

the prisoners to a point in close

a conspiracy before the United States entered the war to send spies

to England from New York to locate the British fleet. Another of the

colonel's distinguished guests Emil Picht. Emil is reputed to

nutriachlo, Chihushua, Wednesday, de-stroyed \$20,000 worth of property of the Cust Ministry

corporation. Villa was nursued by Generaldes in the direction of Parral.

barracks or on the street car.

WILL VISIT PRESIDENT DEAN OF JUGO - SLAVS FOUGHT FOR LIBERTY.

KING OF MONTENEGRO

BAKER AND PERSHING REPLY TO FRENCH OFFER

Paris, Dec. 24.—(Havas.)— Secretary Baker and Gen. Per-shing have replied to offers made by Andrew Tardieu, head

of the general commission for Franco-American war matters, to place at the disposal of American soldiers French uni-versities, libraries and technical schools. They express thanks for the spirit which proposed

for the spirit which prompted the offer. Details of the pro-posed organization are being

FIXING RESPONSIBILITY

FOR BRINGING ON WAR

EX-KAISER AND CROWN

PRINCE HEAD LIST.

Herr Kautsky Compiling

White Book From Archives

of German War Office.

London, Dec. 24 .- (British Wireles

Press.)-"My own view is that his-

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war and its continuance, first, to the ex-kaiser and the former crown prince: second, to Ludendorff and Von Tirpitz; third, to the industrial magnates, and fourth, to the pan-Germans," said Herr Kautsky, who

is compiling a white book from the archives of the German foreign of-

fice, according to an interview se-cured from the compiler by the Ber-

lin correspondent of the Evening News today,

more about the immediate cause of the war than any other living man

foutside of a few high German of-

"Many volumes will be published,"

continued Herr Kautsky. " I expect to have the first ready in about a

month. The Austrian government purposes to issue a similar document in a few days, so that from our side full light will be thrown on the origin

of the war as far as humanly pos-sible.

archives so far as England is con-

of view of Prince Lichnowsky and Dr. Muellon."

(Prince Lichnowsky was German ambassador to England when the war broke out and was subsequently

ing a memorandum exonerating Eng-

land from responsibility.) Herr Kautsky has played an import

ant part in German politics during the past four years and steadfastly op-

"All I can say at present is that the

Herr Kautsky now probably knows

ory will allot responsibility for

# of Nations and Self-Deter-

mination Realized.

Paris, Dec. 23.—King Nicholas of Montenegro intends to visit President Wilson as soon as possible. Speaking to the Associated Press correspondent, the king said: "The aspirations of Montenegro are in common accord with those of

the other peoples of the same race to become a part of the Jugo-Slav confederation, but preserve its au-tonomy, independence and customs Montenegro wishes Europe to make it possible for it to have its own intellectual life, although maintaining cordial and fraternal relations wit neighboring peoples. Montenegro might be called the dean of the Jugo-Slav peoples. It was first to insure its Independence, fighting for five centuries against Mussulman oppression. Montenegro never has ceased to shed its blood, and in the beginning of the great war showed its solidarity with Serbia's cause. In 1914 the whole Montenegrin population diers, which, considering the number

age is a soldier.
"Montenegro was fairly exhausted by the sacrifices it made during the Balkan wars, in which it lost 13,000 men and almost all of its war material. The new war constituted a new series of privations. Our dead on the battlefields number about 10,000, the number of prisoners is yet unknown and many succumbed to starvation and exposure."

When asked for his opinion on the proposed league of nations and other subjects likely to come before the peace conference, King Nicholas

"I hope that I can live long enough to see such a plan realized. As to freedom of the seas, Montenegro is interested only indirectly. I have not as yet studied the matter sufficiently to give a positive view on such a complex subject. I think the right of self-determination should be granted to each nationality. It is a principle from which the entire world may expect peace and happiness, if applied without restrictions and re-

#### BATTLE WITH BLIZZARD

Chicago, Dec. 24.—Chicago battles with one of the worst blizzards in year today. Trains on practically every rail today. Trains on practically every railroad entering the city were delayed
from thirty minutes to an hour. Surface
and elevated service is seriously crippled by the heavy snow which began
falling shortly before 4 a.m. today.
Capt. John Anderson, of the lifesaving corps, ordered safety whistles
sounded along the lake shore, fearing
for the safety of several vessels known
to be approaching the city through the
extremely heavy fog and terrific wind.
According to reports reaching Chicaso
the blizzard is general throughout the
middle west. Kansas City reports a
snowfall of nearly a foot, the storms
extending to northern and western Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma, Arkansas and
northern Texas. a German reservist in very bad standing with the department of justice for certain alleged actions of his. He was arrested in Gotham some time ago garbed as a woman. northern Texas.

#### WILL GO AS LOOKER-ON

Lord Reading Will Attend Peace Con-ference, but Not as Envoy. London, Dec. 24.—Lord Reading, spe-cial diplomatic envoy from England to, the United States, will attend the peace Cusi Mining company; at American conference in a consulting capacity, but corporation. Villa was nursued by Gen. will not sit at the table, the Manchester General in the direction of Parral.

# RAIN AND MUD HAMPER PLANS

Duckboards " Laid Over Knee-Deep Slush Prevailing at Pershing's Post.

WILSONS DEMOCRATIC

Will Use Tin Forks of Doughboys at Dinner in Battle Zone.

EIGHTY-SECOND

Among Divisions Represented in Review Before Wilson. Parts, Dec. 24.—On his ar-rival at Chaumont to visit the American army, the president will be met by Gen, Pershing, the French general command-ing in that district, the prefect and mayor of Chaumont, French and American guards of honor and an American band. honor and an American band, After his reception at the city hall the president will review 10,000 troops, composed of one infantry battalion from each of these divisions: Sixth, Twenty-ninth, Seventy-seventh, Eightieth and Eighty-second. There will be an artillery unit from the Seventy-seventh division and two troops of the

sion and two troops of the Sixth cavalry. After luncheon at the head-After luncheon at the head-quarters of the Twenty-sixth (New England) division, the president will return by auto-mobile to Chaumont. On the way he will stop at several small towns, where American troops are stationed, to inspect the quarters and talk with the men.

General Headquarters of the An can Expeditionary Force in Fran Chaumont, Dec. 23,-(I. N. S.)-( layed.)—Bad weather may and Mrs. Wilson's trip to Pershing's headquarters on Ch mas day. It has been rail steadily here for weeks, and ground has become so saturated doughboys were busy today structing "duckboards" in every past four years and steadastly op-posed the war. With his independent socialist colleagues, he signed the first peace manifesto issued in Ger-many.

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Wednesday.

It is unlikely that the American airmen will be phie to so the their aerial antices a process.

President May Speak.

It is possible that the president may make a short address to the transport of the Yankee division near

The presidential party will not eat Nicholas Hopes to See League to a good old-fashioned noon-time dinner at Montiguy-le-Rol. but everything will be just as democratic as it is impossible to scrap together enough crockery and silverware in this section of France for 200 covers.

even if everything were comm There will be the regular tin forks and steel-bladed knives, aluminum plate and big ellipse-shaped cup, the plate and big ellipse-snapes carried on same as the doughboys carried on their way to battle when they were their way to battle when they were

handy instrument for trench digging purposes.
Menu Printed on Map. An claborate menu is being pre-pared. It will be printed on a topo-graphical map of the sector the division holds and will contain the history of the division's battles. The dinner will be held in a big building that formerly housed a

cross giving warning to raiding air-planes of the character of the place is still there.

The review will be held at a hamlet containing 100 houses, a brewery and a cheese factory. It is just outside of Langres, and a main line railwhether the enemies would be done up in Christmas packages with dainty red ribbon and stickers or during the struggle. Every Monte-in the procession were brought up on this line and dumped off into this lield.

Pass Hospitals and Prisons. Pass Hospitals and Prisons.
On the way from Chaumont the president will pass numerous war hospitals, including a base hospital, and a couple of prisoners' camps, where German soldiers captured by doughboys in battle are interned. The hots are surrounded by great fences of harded wire. These captures are of barbed wire. These captives are employed chiefly as woodcutters, but a few are working on the roads filling in the holes over which the presidential automobile will pass. The presidential party will also pass an aerodrome where machines guiding.

nerodrome where machines guarding the headquarters of the American expeditionary force are located.

Mess Sergeant Proud.

The noon dinner is in charge of Mess Sergeant Hoy, and he is one proud man. He handled the first rolling kitchen that the United States

der in 1916.
Sergt. Hoy's assistants are Noll.
Foss and Chapell, all of the 10 ist Foss and Cha field artillery. More than 1,200 motor trucks are lined up to carry off the troops after

Maj. James D. Corviers, of Caldwell, N. J., is in command of the Twenty-sixth division, the battallons

Twenty-sixth division, the battalons of which will be reviewed.

The president will be greeted at Chaumont by patriotic and martial airs played by the band from the 101st infantry.

#### READY TO MEET WILSON

Lloyd George Returns to London and Prepares for Conference.
London, Dec. 24.—Premier Lloyd George has arrived in London to prepare for the momentous conferences which will be held between the state ministers and President Wilson on 7th day. It was learned on good authority today that these discussions are aspected to result in the closest co-operation between Great Britain and America to the seas has already begun to clear up as the time for the president's as rival draws nearer.

There is a feeling of confidence that Presidnt Wilson undratands England position and will acquience in a degree the proposed league of nations.